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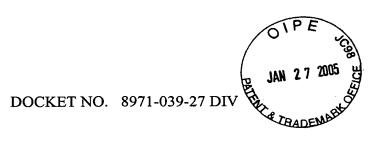
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Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated December 28, 2004, Applicants elect, albeit with traverse, Group VI, Claims 38-41.